

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior listings:

1. (Currently Amended) A positive active material comprising:
base particles comprising lithium-nickel-manganese oxide; and
a mixture consisting essentially of an inorganic compound and a carbonaceous material on substantially the entire surface of the base particles;
wherein,
a weight ratio of the lithium-nickel-manganese oxide to the mixture is between 98:2 to 70:30 and is represented by the formula $A:(B+C)$,
A is the weight of the lithium-nickel-manganese oxide,
B is the weight of the inorganic compound,
C is the weight of the carbonaceous material, and
the inorganic compound ~~comprises~~ is a compound oxide of at least one selected from the group of LiFePO_4 and Li_3PO_4 .
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Original) The positive active material according to Claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of the inorganic compound to the carbonaceous material ranges between 99:1 and 60:40.
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Currently Amended) A nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery comprising:
a negative active material;
a positive active material comprising base particles that include lithium-nickel-manganese oxide;
a nonaqueous electrolyte between the negative and positive active materials; and

a mixture consisting essentially of an inorganic compound and a carbonaceous material on substantially the entire surface of the base particles; and
wherein,

a weight ratio of the compound oxide to the mixture is between 98:2 to 70:30 and is represented by the formula $A:(B+C)$,

A is the weight of the lithium-nickel-manganese oxide,

B is the weight of the inorganic compound,

C is the weight of the carbonaceous material,

and

the inorganic compound ~~comprises~~ is a compound oxide of at least one selected from the group of LiFePO_4 and Li_3PO_4 .

6. (Previously Presented) The positive active material according to Claim 5, wherein the weight ratio of the inorganic compound to the carbonaceous material ranges between 99:1 and 60:40.

7. (Cancelled)